

# Sanford/Lee County Fair Housing Practices

As part of its continuing effort to provide fair housing opportunities for its citizens, the Sanford/Lee County Community Development Department is releasing this public information notice concerning the Federal Fair Housing Law.

# Fair Housing Law

Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Fair Housing Act), as amended, prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental, and financing of dwellings, and in other housing-related transactions, based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status (including children under the age of 18 living with parents of legal custodians, pregnant women, and people securing custody of children under the age of 18), and handicap (disability).



# The Fair Housing Law protects you from:

“Any actions, omissions, or decisions *taken because of* race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin which restrict housing choices or the availability of housing choices.”

“Any actions, omissions, or decisions *which have the effect of* restricting housing choices or the availability of housing choices on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin.”

Acts prohibited by the Fair Housing Law, if based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, family status or handicap:

Refusing to sell or rent to, deal or negotiate with any person.

Discriminating by advertising that housing is available only to persons of a certain race.

Denying that housing is available for inspection, sale or rent when it really is available.

Blockbusting: for profit persuading owners to sell or rent housing by telling them that minority groups are moving into the neighborhood.



Acts prohibited by the Fair Housing Law, if based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, family status or handicap:

Denying or making terms or conditions for home loans by commercial lenders such as banks, savings and loan associations and insurance companies.

Denying to anyone the use of or participation in any real estate services such as brokers associations, multiple listing services or other facilities related to the selling or renting of housing.



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If you live within Sanford/Lee  
County, NC and you feel you  
have been discriminated against  
because of housing restrictions  
or lack of housing choices  
please contact:



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Sanford/Lee County Community  
Development Department

225 E. Weatherspoon Street, PO Box 3729  
Sanford, NC 27331

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Community Development Manager

Phone: 1-919-777-1113

TDD: 1-800-735-2962



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Or Contact the:

NC Human Relations Commission.  
116 West Jones Street, 2nd Floor  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27609  
Telephone: 1-866-324-7474  
TDD: 1-800-735-2962





This information is available in Spanish or any other language upon request.

Esta información está disponible en español o en cualquier otro idioma bajo petición. Por favor, póngase en contacto con Karen Kennedy al (919) 775-8238.